

October 18, 2015

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street
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Parish Center 853-6196
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Music Director 292-0368

Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekend Mass Saturday Vigil 5:15 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Weekday Mass Wednesday – Friday 7:00 AM
Saturday 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

We joyfully welcome all into our Church family through this sacrament. Parents are asked to please call the rectory 853-2935 to make arrangements. Baptismal preparation meetings are held with the Baptismal Team the first Sunday of the month at 9 AM at St. Mary's School.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married are asked to schedule an appointment with Fr. Croghan at least 6 months before the desired date. Wedding dates cannot be scheduled over the phone. One of the parties being married and/or their parents must be registered members of St. Mary's (Pre-marriage instruction is required).

Prayer Line

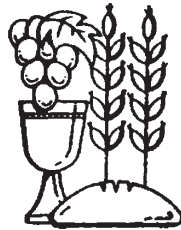
If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please introduce yourself after Mass. We invite you to become an active member of our parish community. Please call the parish office to register.

Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for the bulletin should be in writing and submitted to the parish office by Monday noon.



Saturday, October 17 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Dominic & Mary Calidonna by Their Family
Sunday, October 18 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Lucille Falk by Jan & Janice
 10:30 AM Elizabeth & Walter Stefanik by Their Family
Wednesday, October 21
 7:00 AM Mary Harrigan by Her Family
Thursday, October 22 - Bl. John Paul II
 7:00 AM Leonora Knickerbocker by Irene Hummel
Friday, October 23 - St. John of Capistrano
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
Saturday, October 24
 8:00 AM Madeline Ellis by Joe & Nancy Ellis
 5:15 PM - John Doepp by the Blatz Family
Sunday, October 25 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Stephen Conway (6th) by His Family
 10:30 AM Jeanne Jones by Carl

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED,
 HOSPITALIZED, SICK & SHUT-INS
 OF OUR PARISH**

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 10-24
 Barb Kennard & Kristen Dombrowski
Counters - 10-25
 Pat Balon, Bob & Linda Kurtyka

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$6,424.50
School Assessment.....	26.00
Memorial Fund.....	2,067.00
Fuel.....	514.00
Faith Formation.....	7.00
Seminary.....	50.00
Mission Sunday.....	50.00
Respect Life.....	60.00
Christmas Fair.....	823.00

Second Collection This Weekend

The annual World Mission Sunday collection will be taken up at all Masses this Weekend. Thank you for your continued generosity!

HOPE Appeal 2015 - \$1,090.30 to go!

Thank you to those who have returned their pledge. If you haven't had a chance, **please** return your pledge card ASAP or sooner. Your completed pledge may be dropped in the collection basket or mailed to the parish office or for a secure online gift or pledge - www.syrdio.org.

A Family Perspective

Advice books abound on marriage and parenting. Jesus tells us in today's Gospel the real secret: satisfying relationships depend on how well we sacrifice our needs to serve others. It is not about "getting," it's about "giving" ourselves. If you feel like you are a servant to your children and spouse, then you are doing it right.

Country Pantry

We ask your help this month for **cans of soup**. We can use all kinds of regular or chunky style. These make a warm meal on these cool fall days. Please consider donating a can or two. Our distribution is on Tuesday, October 27.

Sunday, November 8, a local organization in Westmoreland will be sponsoring a Chicken BBQ for the benefit of the Pantry. It will be held on the green in Westmoreland. More details next week. Save the date. God bless!

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (10-24)	Dominic, Joseph & Carina Pascucci	Mike Debraggio	Host - Anne Debraggio & MaryLou Lauchert Cup - Tim Lashinger, Mary Paul, Bill & Bonnie Waldron
8:00 AM (10-25)	Garrett, Tyler & Connor Frank	Anna Berney	Host - Kate Chute & Bob Burns Cup - Mike Howard, Ed Kaido, Evelyn Micciche & Sister Ruth
10:30 AM (10-25)	Raine Boehler, LeeAnn & Lauren Chesebro	Rebecca Collins	Host - Don & Jane Conniff Cup - Anita Fitzgerald, Carol Fobes, Peggy Schweitzer & Mary Stuttard

Faith Formation

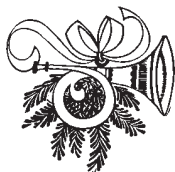
Through Baptism we share in the Church's ministry to serve all who are in need. We share Christ's mission of working for peace and justice in our homes, parish, community, work and world. We were gifted with Grace and gifts of the Spirit at Baptism and Confirmation, don't let God down by wasting them!

"Introduction to the Bible"

Little Rock Scripture study ongoing on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the school building through November 11th.

Rosary Army and Dress a Girl

...around the world mission programs at St. Mary's meets the third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 pm in the school building. All parishioners invited-stop in any month to see what we are all about!



St. Mary's Christmas Fair

Our annual St. Mary's Christmas Fair will be held November 7/8 in the Parish Center. This is our biggest fund raiser of the year and we need many hands to help make it very successful.

Collection dates for Attic Treasures will be Saturday, October 24, and October 31, 10-4 PM, in the Parish Center. **NO CLOTHING, outdated TV's, record players or computers will be accepted.** All household items must be in clean and usable condition. If you love to bake, make candy, or are a crafter, we need your skills. If you and/or your family love to create a raffle basket, we would love to receive a basket from you. As usual, our Café will be filled with hungry shoppers and if any teenagers would like some service hours, please contact Evelyn at 853-2190.

Raffle tickets have been mailed to all parishioners. We have some great prizes this year so we ask that you either purchase the tickets yourself or sell them to your neighbors or friends. If you have questions, please call Evelyn at 853-2190 or Peggy at 853-2419).

Good News Foundation

For information on upcoming programs and support groups being held at the Good News Foundation, call (315)735-6210 (www.thegoodnewscenter.org).

RCIA

Our church welcomes new members through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and Children. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic or completing their entrance into our church through Confirmation or Holy Eucharist, please call Sr. Ruth at 853-1849.

dear Padre

October 18, 2015

Are priests and religious the same?

The pastor of my parish recently asked us to pray for "priests and religious." Aren't they the same thing?

Some priests are religious, but not all religious are priests. As used here, the term "religious" refers to a member of a religious order—a man or woman who has professed vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience and who follows an approved rule of their religious congregation. Redemptorists, Sisters of Mercy, Franciscans, Jesuits, and Benedictines would all be examples. Members of a religious order can be sisters or brothers, but some religious men are priests as well. We call these religious men "Father." A priest who is not a religious is attached to a diocese and promises obedience to his bishop. He would be celibate but would not have a vow of poverty, so he would receive a salary and could own his own house or car.

Behind your question is an important point. All priests are called to be "religious," holy men (in the spiritual sense) who bring us closer to Jesus by the celebration of sacraments, leadership, preaching, and the lives they live. In fact, all of the baptized are called to be holy; religious profession and priestly ordination are just two ways that Catholics live out their baptismal calling. The most common vocation is marriage, a sacrament alongside holy orders.

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